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SENATE ENGROSSED NO. **SB 208** - 02/09/2004

This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

Introduced by: Senators Sutton (Dan) and Dempster and Representative Heineman

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to repeal certain small group health insurance requirements.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. That § 58-18B-16 be repealed.

4 ~~—58-18B-16. Nothing in this chapter requires a small employer carrier to offer a standard or~~
5 ~~basic plan to an employer who has or renews an existing health benefit plan with that carrier.~~

6 Section 2. That § 58-18B-33 be repealed.

7 ~~—58-18B-33. The director shall study and report on or before January fifth of each year to the~~
8 ~~Legislature and Governor on the effectiveness of this chapter. The report shall analyze the~~
9 ~~effectiveness of this chapter in promoting rate stability, product availability, and coverage~~
10 ~~affordability. The report may contain recommendations for actions to improve the overall~~
11 ~~effectiveness, efficiency, and fairness of the small group health insurance marketplace. The~~
12 ~~report shall include information pertinent to the basic and standard plans and their effectiveness~~
13 ~~and appropriateness. The report shall address whether carriers and insurance producers are fairly~~
14 ~~and actively marketing or issuing health benefit plans to small employers in fulfillment of the~~
15 ~~purposes of this chapter. The report may contain recommendations for future regulatory~~



1 ~~standards or action.~~

2 Section 3. That § 58-18B-42 be repealed.

3 ~~—58-18B-42. Each small employer carrier shall provide reasonable compensation to an~~

4 ~~insurance producer, if any, for the sale of a basic or standard health benefit plan.~~